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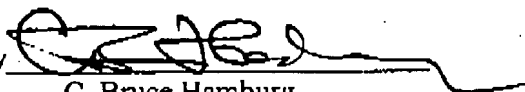
The applicant respectfully submits herewith a Declaration under 37 CFR § 1.132 in which Shincho Shuko, inventor of the cited prior art Japanese Patent Application JP2002-071286A, provides support for the position that it would not have been obvious to adjust slit length or spacing between slits to improve brazing performance and workability (molding performance). The affiant is not only the inventor of the cited prior art but has thirty years of experience in the field of heat exchanger technology. Therefore, his statements that the invention of the present application are more than mere optimization of known parameters should be given great weight. In light of the foregoing and the Response of May 23, 2007, the application is believed to be in proper form for allowance of all claims and notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

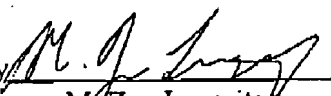
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